



CONSULTATION MEETING ARCHAEOLOGICAL INVENTORY SURVEY PLAN FOR CITY CENTER MIDDLE STREET TO ALA MOANA CENTER

March 16, 2011 • 5:30 - 8:30 p.m.

WHY ARE WE HERE?

In accordance with the recently-executed Honolulu High-Capacity Transit Corridor Project's Programmatic Agreement as required by Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act, the City is consulting with the O'ahu Island Burial Council (OIBC), lineal and cultural descendents, Native Hawaiian Organizations (NHO) and other interested parties about the Archaeological Inventory Survey Plan (AISP) for the City Center Section.

WE NEED YOUR COMMENTS AND PERSPECTIVES ON:

- The scope of the archaeological investigation for the City Center Section
- Any previous findings in this area that you wish to bring to our attention
- Any historical or cultural sources you wish to bring to our attention
- Proposed methods
- The consultation process related to potential findings

WHAT IS THE PURPOSE OF THE AISP?

- The results of the archaeological testing will inform the interim and final design phases for the purpose of avoiding and protecting cultural resources
- The goal is to perform archaeological testing in a way that allows the project to have the least possible effect on cultural resources including burials
- All burial finds will be considered previously identified, and treatment decisions will include appropriate consultation with the OIBC and cultural and lineal descendents according to HAR Chapter 13-300
- Consultation with concerned parties will continue throughout the entire process

WHAT IS THE PROCESS FOR DEVELOPING AND IMPLEMENTING AISP?

- Consult with interested parties
- Develop a draft of the AISP based on preliminary transit design and as informed by this consultation regarding the scope of the investigation
- Submit draft of AISP to State Historic Preservation Division (SHPD) for review and approval
- Proceed with fieldwork for the Archaeological Inventory Survey (AIS)
- Adjust the interim and final designs based on AIS findings to minimize impact to cultural resources, especially burials
- Analyze, interpret and report on findings, during and after completion of fieldwork
- Submit AIS report to SHPD for review and approval
- Prepare draft mitigation plan(s) for SHPD review and approval
- Implement mitigation and prepare final mitigation report(s)

WHAT IS THE SCHEDULE FOR THE AIS FOR CITY CENTER?

- Fieldwork for the City Center AIS is planned to start in the Fall of 2011 with completion estimated one year later
- City Center Section construction is planned to start approximately in the Spring of 2014, following all adjustments to design, and all archaeological and other approvals

If you have other questions or comments, or would like to schedule a time to meet with the City in the future, please contact us at (808) 566-2299 or info@HonoluluTransit.org.

For additional information about the project, please visit the project website at www.HonoluluTransit.org.



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